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Article ...

In any situation where the archipelagic waters, or territorial waters measured therefrom, of an archipelagic State include areas which previously had been considered as high seas, that archipelagic State, in the exercise of its sovereignty over such areas, shall give special consideration to the interests and needs of its neighbouring States with regard to the exploitation of living resources in these areas, and, to this effect, shall enter into an agreement with any neighbouring State, at the request of the latter, either by regional or bilateral arrangements, with a view to prescribing modalities entitling the nationals of such neighbouring State to engage and take part on an equal footing with its nationals and, where geographical circumstances so permit, on the basis of reciprocity, in the exploitation of living resources therein.

Article ...

In addition to the right of passage through the sealanes designated for international navigation, an archipelagic State shall recognize, for the sole benefit of such of its neighbouring States as are enclosed or partly enclosed by its archipelagic waters, a right of innocent passage through these waters for the purpose of gaining access to and from any part of the high seas by the shortest and most convenient routes.

To this effect, an archipelagic State shall enter into arrangements with any such neighbouring States at the request of the latter.
